

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER  
MAY 23, 2019

ESTHER HOWLAND CHAMBERS

**Commission Members Present:**

Walter Shea, Commissioner  
Barbara Haller, Commissioner

**Commission Members Absent:** Anthony Salvidio, Chairman

**Staff Present:**

Lt. James Johnson, Worcester Police Department  
Alexandra Kalkounis, Law Department  
Amanda Wilson, Inspectional Services  
Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services

**Minutes**

May 9, 2019

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of May 9, 2019.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Common Victualer Requests**

**I-1: Papa Gino's, 537 Lincoln Street**

Request for common victualer license

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 8, 2019 and received May 8, 2019.

**I-2: Papa Gino's, 915 Grafton Street**

Request for common victualer license

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 8, 2019 and received May 8, 2019.

**I-3: Papa Gino's, 681 West Boylston Street**

Request for common victualer license

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 8, 2019 and received May 8, 2019.

Items I-1 to I-3 were taken contemporaneously.

Christine Gavin appeared upon behalf of the applications. She stated that Papa Gino's is going to change ownership.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer licenses for 537 Lincoln Street, 915 Grafton Street, and 681 West Boylston Street.

**I-4: Insomnia Cookies, 1 Kelley Square**

Request for common victualer license

Patrick Sullivan appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 3, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

**I-5: Market & Bakery AL Fahad, 117 Lovell Street**

Request for common victualer license

Jabbar Badr appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 8, 2019 and received May 8, 2019.

**I-6: Violeta's Café, 255 Park Avenue**

Request for common victualer license

Violeta Proda Sultan appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the common victualer license.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated May 8, 2019 and received May 8, 2019.

### **Special One Day Liquor & Entertainment Requests**

#### **II-1: Edward O. Bourgault, 10 Dupont Street**

Request for one day liquor license

- June 15, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Edward Bourgault appeared upon behalf of the application. He stated that this is for their fourth annual Brazilian Festival and a police detail will be hired for the event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 7, 2019 and received May 7, 2019.

#### **II-2: Centros Las Americas, 455 Main Street**

Request for one day entertainment license

- August 17, 2019 – Noon-9:00 p.m.

Augustine Valequez appeared upon behalf of the application. She stated that this will be for their annual festival and no alcohol will be at the event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day entertainment license dated May 2, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

#### **II-3: Ralph's Tavern, 117 Shrewsbury Street**

Request for one day entertainment license for jukebox, tv, radio, recorded music, live music

- May 25, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- May 26, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- June 18, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
- June 22, 2018 – Noon – 6:00 p.m.
- July 2, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. rain date July 3, 2018
- July 12, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- July 19, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- July 26, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- August 10, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

- August 17, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- August 24, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- August 31, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- September 1, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- September 14, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- September 21, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- September 28, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- October 13, 2019 – Noon – 9:00 p.m.

Joan Ceely appeared upon behalf of the application.

Lt. Johnson stated that he went to visit the site.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day entertainment license dated May 2, 2019 and received May 3, 2019

**II:4: Joseph Stake, 154 Shrewsbury Street-Outside**

Request for one day entertainment license for recorded music, live music, amplification system

- June 18, 2019 – 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Joseph Stake appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day entertainment license dated May 10, 2019 and received May 10, 2019

**II-5: Melissa Sherry, 55 Millbrook Street-Outside**

Request for one day liquor license

- June 8, 2019 – Noon – 8:00 p.m.
- July 20, 2019 – 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- August 4, 2019 – Noon – 7:00 p.m.
- September 28, 2019 – 11:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Melissa Sherry appeared upon behalf of the application.

Ms. Sherry reviewed the events and stated that the July 20, 2019 is for a food truck festival and a large crowd is expected so they will hire a police detail for that event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 6, 2019 and received May 6, 2019

**II-6: George Gailor, Good Times Villa Event Center, 1023 Main Street-LTW**

Request for one day liquor license

- May 25, 2019 – 8:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Application was withdrawn.

**II-7: Gerald Azzarone, 104 Shrewsbury Street - Outside**

- a. Request for one day liquor license
- b. Request for one day entertainment license for radio, dancing by patrons, recorded music, live music, amplification system

- June 18, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

No one appeared for the item.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment license to 9:00 p.m.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 13, 2019 and received May 13, 2019

Exhibit B: Application for one day entertainment license dated May 13, 2019 and received May 13, 2019.

**II-8: St George Cathedral, 30 Anna Street**

Request for one day entertainment license for dancing by patrons, dancing by entertainers, recorded music, live music, amplification system

- June 7, 2019 – 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
- June 8, 2019 – 8:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m.
- June 9, 2019 – Noon – 6:00 p.m.

No one appeared for the item. The Commission had previously approved the liquor license for the event.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day entertainment licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day entertainment license dated May 10, 2019 and received May 10, 2019

**II-9: John Travaglio, Humboldt Street**

Request for one day liquor license

- June 2, 2019 – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

John Travaglio appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 20, 2019 and received May 20, 2019.

**II-10: Nana O. Narfo, 20 Franklin Street**

Request for one day liquor license

- May 26, 2019 – 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Nano Narfo appeared behalf of the application. He stated that this will be event at the Worcester Pop Up. The Board and the applicant discussed the hours for the event and whether a police detail would be required.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 20, 2019 and received May 20, 2019.

**II-11: Lupus Foundation of New England, Worcester Common**

Request for one day liquor license

- June 1, 2019 – 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Leslie Lakus appeared upon behalf of the application. She stated that this for the Food Truck Festival on the Worcester Common.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor license.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor license dated May 20, 2019 and received May 20, 2019.

### **Alcohol & Entertainment Requests**

#### **III-1: Colwen Management, Inc. 72 Grove Street-LTW**

Request for change of manager

Application was withdrawn.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager dated May 8, 2019 and received May 12, 2019.

#### **III-2: Colwen Management, Inc., 125 Front Street**

Request for change of manager

Mary Simone the proposed manager appeared for the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager dated May 8, 2019 and received May 12, 2019.

#### **III-3: Tippin Kegs, LLC, dba Marty's Pub, 225 Canterbury Street**

- Request for transfer of general on premises all alcohol license
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for jukebox, t v, radio, live music, karaoke

Robert St. Cyr and Frank Penagos appeared upon behalf of the applications.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the following:

- Request for transfer of general on premises all alcohol license
- Request for common victualer license
- Request for entertainment license for jukebox, t v, radio, live music, karaoke

Exhibit A: Application for general on premises license dated May 3, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

Exhibit B: Application for common victualer license dated May 3, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

Exhibit C: Application for entertainment license dated May 3, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

#### **III-4: Paku Corporation, 215 Chandler Street**

Request for alteration for outdoor area. Three tables with four chairs. Hours of operation for outside area 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Yarisbeth Guzman and Ligia Mustafa appeared upon behalf of the application.

Commissioner Shea stated that the Commission members had viewed the site prior to the meeting.

The Commission and the applicant reviewed the layout for the premises and the hours the outdoor area would be open.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the alteration of premises with the following conditions;

- Tuesday thru Friday – 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday – Noon to 9:00 p.m.
- Must have liquor certified person to monitor outside area

Exhibit A: Application for alteration of premises dated May 3, 2019 and received May 3, 2019.

#### **III-5: SMG Food and Beverage, LLC, 50 Foster Street**

Request for change of manager

Sandra Dunn and Joanne Staruk appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager dated May 10, 2019 and received May 10, 2019.

#### **III-6: Dubai Restaurant & Lounge, Inc., 27 Pleasant Street**

Request for change of manager

Luis Raul Arias appeared upon behalf of the application.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the change of manager.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager dated May 13, 2019 and received May 13, 2019.

## **Hearings**

### **IV-1: Peregrine Endeavors, Inc. dba District, 107A Water Street—**

Rules #5<sup>1</sup> (2 counts), #30(c)<sup>2</sup>, #32(a)<sup>3</sup>, #33(a)<sup>4</sup> and(c)<sup>5</sup>, and #28<sup>6</sup>, of the Worcester License Commission Rules and Regulations for liquor licenses, and 204 CMR 2.05 (2) - Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to WIT, M.G.L. c. 138 § 34C<sup>7</sup>,

Attorney Wayne LeBlanc and Christopher Belisle appeared upon behalf of the item.

Mr. LeBlanc presented two letters to the Commission. One stating that the transfer of license to NVECC had failed to occur and the license was being reverted back to Peregrine Endeavors, Inc. and the second letter from Peregrine Endeavors, Inc. surrendering the liquor license back to the City of Worcester.

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to accept the surrender of the liquor license.

Exhibit A: Police report dated April 4, 2019.

Exhibit B: Letter from NVECC, LLC dated May 22, 2019.

Exhibit C: Letter from Peregrine Endeavors, Inc. dated May 22, 2019.

### **IV-2: Dubai Restaurant & Lounge, Inc., 27 Pleasant Street**

Violation of Rule #1-hours

Item was postponed to June 20, 2019.

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<sup>1</sup> Rule #5 - Failure to post all licenses in a public area so that the same may be easily observed.

<sup>2</sup> Rule #30 (c) – Failure to complete the required Crowd Manager Fire & Building Safety Checklist.

<sup>3</sup> Rule #32 (a) – Failure to submit an “Identification Plan” to the Worcester License Commission.

<sup>4</sup> Rule #33 (a) – Failure to CORI check all applicants for security positions.

<sup>5</sup> Rule #33 (c) – Failure to provide the Worcester License Commission a list of security personnel

<sup>6</sup> Rule #28 – Failure to have all persons involved in the service of liquor to attend server training program/copies of certificates to be kept on the premises.

<sup>7</sup> 204 CMR 2.05 (2) – Permitting an illegality on the licensed premise, to WIT: M.G.L. c. 138 §34C – Possession of alcoholic beverage by a person under 21 years of age.

Exhibit A: Police report dated May 6, 2019.

**Other Business**

- Server Training programs for license holders – Item will be advertised for June 6, 2019 License Commission meeting.
- Good Chemistry, 9 Harrison Street – Amendment to 30 day plan re: police details

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the amendment.

**Communications**

- ABCC Communication-Jusstevin dba Loft 266 Park Avenue, Notice of decision-filed.

**Adjournment**

Upon a motion the Commission voted 2-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.